UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

CHRISTINE RUARK.

Plaintiff,

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LIBERTY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF BOSTON AND MASSACHUSETTS MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.: 04-30013-MAP

DEFENDANT'S LOCAL RULE 16.1 CERTIFICATION

Defendant, Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company ("Mass Mutual"), and the undersigned counsel for Defendant, in accordance with Rule 16.1(D)(3) of the Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, hereby certify that they have conferred:

- a. with a view to establishing a budget for the cost of this litigation; and
- b. to consider the resolution of this case through the use of alternative dispute resolution programs, such as those outlined in Local Rule 16.4.

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I hereby certify that on this day a true copy of the above document was served upon the attorney of record for each party by mail/by hand

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